

MONTHLY REPORT By Executive Director Don Williams & Staff

October 2004

INTRODUCTION:

The monthly report is a monthly update of the activities of the City of Riverside Community Police Review Commission and gives the staff a chance to pass on information that they feel is important or noteworthy. The information provided in the twelve monthly reports forms the basis for the annual report.

NACOLE CONVENTION:

The CPRC Manager and three commissioners attended the 2004 NACOLE Conference in Chicago this month. The conference was a success from both an informational and a networking standpoint. Commissioner Bonavita Quinto-MacCallum will be making a presentation to the Commission and public at the November meeting regarding the information learned.

Next year's convention will be in Miami, Florida. In the coming months, the CPRC will be developing a Request For Proposal for presentation to the NACOLE Board of Directors in an attempt to bring the 2006 convention to Riverside. We know our competition is Seattle and Portland but we think we can be competitive. We distributed gift bags to the board and got some very positive responses.

SUBPOENED OFFICER DOES NOT TESTIFY:

Officer Tina Banfill Gould was subpoenaed to appear before the CPRC at its October meeting. Officer Gould appeared with her attorney, Mr. Mike Lackey. Mr. Lackey refused to allow the officer to be sworn in and offered a blanket refusal on Officer Gould's behalf to answer Commission questions based on her 5th Amendment right against self-incrimination. The case was handed over to the City Attorney's office for presentation to the City Council for permission to proceed with court action to force the officer's full compliance with the subpoena.

OUTREACH:

The Executive Director and various commissioners attended <u>22</u> meetings or community events.

A number of local organizations and groups have taken advantage of the opportunity to have CPRC commissioners come to their meetings and discuss the Commission and its work. If you would like to have a commissioner speak at one of your meetings, please call the office at (951) 826-5509.

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WORKLOAD - October 2004:

| Cases Received | Lodged | Filed through CPRC | Filed through RPD |
|----------------|--------|--------------------|-------------------|
| | 0 | 1 | 2 |

A complaint is considered lodged when a citizen makes a complaint to the CPRC; it is filed when the completed complaint form is submitted.

| Case Dispositions | Cases Reviewed | Inquiries* | Administratively Closed** |
|-------------------|----------------|------------|---------------------------|
| | 6 | 1 | 0 |

*Inquiries occur when a member of the public is merely requesting clarification of a policy or procedure.

**Administrative Closure occurs when a case is closed for reasons other than being reviewed or being classified as Inquiries.

| Allegations | U/F | Disc/SH | IDF | ISS | FA | FR | CC | MC |
|-------------|-----|---------|-----|-----|----|----|----|----|
| Allegations | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 7 |

U/F = Use of Force; Disc/SH = Discrimination/Sexual Harassment; IDF = Improper Discharge of Firearms;
ISS = Illegal Search or Seizure; FA = False Arrest; FR = False Reporting; CC = Criminal Conduct; MC = Misconduct / Misconduct Noted

| Findings | Unfounded | Exonerated | Not Sustained | Sustained |
|------------|-----------|------------|---------------|-----------|
| Fillulligs | 3 | 1 | 5 | 1 |

Unfounded - The alleged act did not occur. Exonerated - The alleged act occurred but was justified, legal and proper. Not Sustained - The investigation produced insufficient information to prove or disprove the allegation. Sustained - The Department member committed all or part of the alleged acts of misconduct or poor service. Misconduct Noted - The Department member violated a section of the Department policies, rules or regulations not originally alleged in the complaint.

Misconduct Noted

During investigations of alleged misconduct, all aspects of an officer's actions are inspected. When a policy violation is discovered beyond that alleged by the complainant, it is classified as "Misconduct Noted" and, by definition, is a "Sustained" finding. Of the cases reviewed this month, **no** allegations of "Misconduct Noted" were discovered.

Cases on Hold

There are currently <u>6</u> cases on hold in our office. These cases have either been returned to RPD for further investigation or are being held pending further investigation by the CPRC investigator.

Case Processing Analysis for Cases Reviewed in October 2004

This chart reflects the average number of days the Police Department and CPRC took to process Category 1 and Category 2 cases reviewed in October. These figures do not include cases that were held for further investigation.

| | Category 1 | Category 2 |
|---|------------|------------|
| RPD investigation and administrative processing | 101 | 79 |
| CPRC processing and review | 25 | 23 |

Category 1 complaints are the most serious allegations such as criminal conduct and use of excessive force.

Category 2 complaints are the less serious allegations such as discourtesy and improper procedure.

Policy Recommendations

There were no policy recommendations made by the Commission in October 2004.

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